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~~same~~ at least as many drilling similar ~~number of~~ fixed platforms. The only imported mobile platform is the "Fuji", a self-elevating jack-up rig built by Mitsubishi Industries ~~in Japan~~ in 1969 and sold to CNMIEC by the Japan Drilling Company for $8.7 million in late 1972. ~~(See photo).~~ The Fuji ~~is capable~~ can operate in 175 feet of water and drill to ~~a depth of~~ 15,000 feet. Since its delivery in April, 1973, the Fuji has been used in the Po Hai Bay off the northern China coast, where virtually all of China's offshore oil drilling efforts have been concentrated ~~(thus far)~~. ~~The~~ Po Hai Bay, ~~with a conveniently shallow basin that~~ in most places ~~is under 150 feet~~, contains extensions of some of ~~the~~ richest onshore oil fields ~~in northern China (See map)~~.

Photo (1)

less than 150 feet deep

North Chinese

Map

6. The first Chinese-made offshore rig was built in 1972. ~~Called~~ the "Po Hai No. 1", it is similar to the Fuji ~~in that it is a self-elevating jack-up rig and can operate in water depths of more than 100 feet~~. The rig was constructed at the Lu-ta (Dairen) Shipyard.

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7. The ~~Chinese subsequently have built a second movable jack-up rig and several~~ stationary drilling platforms assembled by the Chinese ~~all of which~~ operate from time to time in the shallower parts of the Po Hai Bay, primarily just southeast of Ta-ku. Two of the fixed platforms have clearly been established for production purposes. One of these rigs, equipped with derrick and flare tower, has undergone frequent enlargement and improvement since first observed in 1971. Both rigs recently were seen about 25 miles southeast of Ta-ku and 10 miles offshore, attended by several support platforms. Actual output from offshore wells, however, is only nominal. The Chinese apparently have been more successful along the shore, where causeways and landfills have enabled them to use land rigs.

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